## IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

## **Listing of Claims**

Claims 1-29 (canceled).

30. (currently amended)A storage system, comprising:

a first storage device, coupled to an information processing device having a first controller and a plurality of first disk drives;

said first controller controlling to store data received from said information processing device in said first disk drives and receiving a command from said information processing device and transferring said command to a second storage device, said command sent from said information processing device to said second storage device being used to request a pair management information status of a first logical volume in said a second storage device from said information processing device to said second storage device, and transferring said command to said second storage device;

said second storage device, coupled to said first storage device, having a second controller and a plurality of second disk drives, said second disk drives being corresponding to a plurality of logical volumes which have said first logical volume; and

said second controller controlling to store data in said second disk drives, and receiving said command from said first storage device and sending replying said pair

management information status of said first logical volume to said information processing device via said first storage device in response to said command.

- 31. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, wherein: said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume is information of <u>a relationship with between</u> said first logical volume and <u>a an</u> second logical volume in said second storage device.
- 32. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, wherein: said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume is whether itsaid <u>first logical volume</u> is under copying data from said first logical volume to <u>a</u> an second logical volume in said second storage device or not.
- 33. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume is whether <u>said</u> <u>first logical volume</u> is under restoring data from said first logical volume to <u>a and</u> second logical volume in said second storage device or not.
- 34. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, wherein: said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume is information of <u>a</u> relationship between said first logical volume and <u>a</u> an third logical volume in said first storage device.

- 35. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, wherein: said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume is whether itsaid <u>first logical volume</u> is under copying data from <u>a</u> an third logical volume in said first storage device to said first logical volume or not.
- 36. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume is whether <u>said</u> <u>first logical volume</u>it is under copying data from said first logical volume to <u>a an</u> third logical volume in said first storage device or not.
- 37. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereines said pair management information status of said first logical volume has information of a plurality of regions in said first logical volume.
- 38. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereines said pair management information status of said first logical volume has information of a-regions storing stored-data which will be copied from said first logical volume to a en second logical volume in said second storage device.
- 39. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said <u>pair management information</u> status of said first logical volume has information of a regions <u>storedstoring</u> data which will be restored from said first logical volume to <u>a an</u> second logical volume in said second storage device.

- 40. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said pair management information status of said first logical volume has information of a-regions storing stored data which will be copied from a an third logical volume in said first storage device to said first logical volume.
- 41. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereines said pair management information status of said first logical volume has information of a-regions stored storing data which will be copied from said first logical volume to a third logical volume in said first storage device.
- 42. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said first controller transfers said command to said second storage device based on contents of said command.
- 43. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said first controller provides a fourth logical volume to said information processing device, said fourth logical volume is used to control said first storage device by said information processing device; and

said first controller transfers said command to said second storage device based on contents of said command sent from said information processing device to said fourth logical volume.

44. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said first controller provides a fifth logical volume to said information processing device, said fifth logical volume is corresponding to a sixth logical volume in said second storage device; and

said first controller transfers said command to said sixth logical volume if said fifth logical volume is addressed in said command sent from said information processing device.

- 45. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said first command has information which is used to identify said first logical volume from said logical volumes.
- 46. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, wherein: each of said logical volumes has a logical unit number which is used to identify a logical volume from said logical volumes; and

said first command has information of a plurality of said-logical unit numbernumbers.

47. (currently amended)A storage system according to claim 30, whereins said first controller executes contents of said first command if said first command does not have information of said second storage device to which data is to be transferred.

48. (currently amended)A storage system, comprising:

a first storage device, coupled to an information processing device having a plurality of first disk drives;

a first controller controlling to store data received from said information processing device in said first disk drives and receiving a command which is being sent from said information processing device to a second storage device, said command being used to request a pair status of a first logical volume from said information processing device, and transferring said command to said second storage device;

a-said second storage device, coupled to said first storage device, having a plurality of second disk drives, said second disk drives being-corresponding to a plurality of logical volumes which have having said first logical volume; and

a second controller controlling to store data in said second disk drives, receiving said command from said first storage device, and replying said pair status of said first logical volume in response to said command.